August 7, 2006

TO: Members of the Legislative IT Committee
       Legislative Council

RE: Large Project Summary Report

Greetings,

Attached to this cover letter is the Large Project Summary Report for the period ending June 30, 2006.

4 projects were reported in the planning stage this quarter.
  • Secretary of State – Knowledge Base (SOSKB)
  • Workforce Safety and Insurance – IT Transformation Project (ITTP)
  • Legislative Assembly – Application Replacement Study
  • ND Public Employees Retirement System – Legacy Application System Replacement (LASR)

7 projects moved into the execution phase this quarter.
  • Job Service ND – Case Management System (GSI)
  • Department of Public Instruction – STARS (ORS replacement)
  • Department of Human Services – Medicaid Systems Project – Phase II
  • Department of Human Services – TANF Diversion
  • Department of Human Services – National Provider Index (NPI)
  • Department of Transportation – Priority Systems Rewrite
  • Secretary of State – Central Voter File

One project was reported completed or terminated.

Agency	Project	Budget	Schedule
JSND	Herakles	Terminated	Terminated

The following 3 projects have been completed and have post-implementation reports which are under review, over-due.
  • OMB/NDUS – Connect ND
      o Incomplete – Portions Under Review
  • Department of Transportation - CVISN
      o Under Review
  • Bank of North Dakota – Core Banking
      o Under Review

The following 3 project(s) reported budget or schedule variances and/or are being monitored closely.
  • <u>DHS – MSP</u> – The MMIS/POS contract was executed in June. At this time, the project is executing without an overall project plan, however, a project plan and control processes are in place for the work being performed.
  • <u>DPI – STARS</u> – This project started as a rewrite of the ORS system and was less than $250,000 so did not fall under Large Project Oversight. Part way through the project, scope was expanded and increased the project budget over $250,000. The project has been playing catch up to the oversight process since. As of June 30, the project did not have a final project plan in place, yet continued to execute the project, therefore the project is operating outside of standard STD009-05. The control processes of project management are not in place and present a risk to project success. An updated draft plan is currently under review. In addition, the project manager has moved to another agency and the interim PM does not have a significant background in project management creating additional risk to the project.

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- <u>ITD – Mainframe Migration</u> – This project continues to fall behind schedule. The issues during the last reporting period were not resolved within the estimated time frames which compounded the schedule problems. The project team reports that testing of the migrated applications has also taken more time than originally allotted in the schedule. The Executive Steering Committee has directed the team to completely re-plan the project, in consideration of the lessons learned during Phase I and propose a new schedule. This project will be scheduled to make a presentation before the SITAC in accordance with NDCC 54-59-23.
- <u>ITD – STAGEnet Infrastructure Services (SIS)</u> - The budget variance for this project is positive. As of June 30, the project was experiencing a slight schedule slippage. However, they are aware that those issues will compound during the 3rd quarter causing significant delays in the final installation. This is based primarily on the fact that the vendor, DCN, has been unable to get the necessary parts from their supplier to build their portion of the network.

Please refer to the report for more information about each project, and feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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